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- The black market center in Kaunas (23-55N, 54-09E) is known as the Talucka and is located in the Viliampole area.
- Sovetsk (55-06N, 21-50E), Kaliningrad Oblast, has a large food market frequented by many black market dealers. Market days are on Sundays and on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.
- Black market operators frequently buy pigs in the area around Panevezys (55-44N, 24-22E), butcher them, and take the meat to Marijampole (54-33N, 23-21E) or Kaunas for disposal. Generally, a profit of 1,000 to 1,300 rubles is made on the sale of meat from each animal.
- In 1950 there was a potato famine in the Sventoji area (56-01N, 21-05E). Black market dealers took advantage of this by buying truckloads of potatoes in Marijampole and selling them around Sventoji.
- 5. British pounds, American dollars, and gold (Tsarist) rubles can be bought from Jewish black market operators. A Leica camera can be sold for 4,000 rubles. Linseed oil is a readily disposable product on the black market. Regulations require that it be produced only at government installations.

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- Source believes that Kaunas airfield is a civilian facility since civilian transport aircraft use it.
- 2. A Soviet Air Force staff is located in the former theological seminary on Rotuses Square in Kaunas.
- 3. A school for parachute troops is located in the Gaizunis maneuver area (not located).

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- An MVD Militia school is located on the corner of Maironio and Putvinsko Streets in Kaunas.
- There is an MGB school in Kaunas, also, but source does not know its location.

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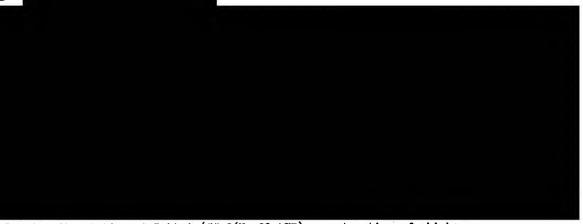
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- A radio station at Babtai (55-06N, 23-47E), construction of which was begun before the war, was completed in 1951.
- A radio jamming station is located near Islauzos (54-44N, 23-55E).

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